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SUBJECT: Revised Contribution to CFEP Staff Study No. 17,
"East-West Trade: Volume and Composition".

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1. Transmitted herewith is the coordinated ORR
revision of the Clandestine Trade section of CFEP Staff
Study No. 17.

2. This revision differs from the earlier D/E
draft in three major respects:

a. It reflects more up-to-date information
on the composition of strategic East-West
trade in 1954.

b. It estimates the dollar volume of unrecorded
trade as distinguished from illegal, clandestine
or strategic trade. As a result, the totals are
somewhat lower but conform more closely to inde-
pendent aggregative studies made by this Agency.

c. It introduces several qualifications and
caveats.

3. In addition, the ORR estimate for 1953 exports
of copper to the Soviet bloc has been reinstated. The
retention of this estimate is considered essential in
order to lay a basis for the over-all 1953 estimate and
for the discussion of trends in strategic East-West trade
during 1953 and 1954.

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